

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE

DISTRICT 1 –PRE- BID CONFERENCE

A pre-bid conference has been scheduled for **Friday, September 8, 2006, at 10:00 a.m.** This conference will be held at the University of Illinois at Chicago Campus located at 750 S. Halsted St., Room 302, Chicago, Illinois 60609.

The primary objective of the pre-bid conference will involve presenting a general overview of the Dan Ryan Expressway local lane contracts between 31st Street and 63rd Street (shown below) and the upcoming I-55 overhead bridge contracts. There will be a general discussion of the scope of work, suggested traffic control and staging, and the suggested construction schedule.

<u>Contract # 62301:</u>	FAI 90/94 - Dan Ryan Expressway, Northbound local lanes from 31 st St to 55 th St and misc. ramps.
<u>Contract # 60A62:</u>	FAI 90/94 - Dan Ryan Expressway, Northbound local lanes from 55 th St to 63 rd St and misc. ramps.
<u>Contract # 62303:</u>	FAI 90/94 - Dan Ryan Expressway, Southbound local lanes from 31 st St to 55 th St and misc. ramps.
<u>Contract # 60A63:</u>	FAI 90/94 - Dan Ryan Expressway, Southbound local lanes from 55 th St to 63 rd St and misc. ramps.
<u>Contract # 60B86:</u>	I-55 at US 30, EJ&E Railroad, Mink Creek, MS Railroad and Lily Cache Slough, Bridge Widening.

Other District One contracts advertised on the September 22, 2006 Letting will be briefly presented for information.

All prime contractors and DBE firms are encouraged to attend. This pre-bid conference is **MANDATORY** for all prime contractors who plan to submit bids on the Dan Ryan Expressway.

Attendance will be taken. Failure to attend the conference on the part of the prime contractor will cause the contractor's bid to be rejected. Members from Small Business Enterprises and District One IDOT will be on hand to answer any questions that you may have. This will be an opportunity for prime contractors and DBE firms to meet and discuss projects of mutual interest.

Both prime contractors and DBE firms are encouraged to review the hiring goals of the projects prior to this pre-bid conference. A short formal presentation will be given and there will be an opportunity to network after the presentation.

DISTRICT 8 NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID

POPLAR STREET BRIDGE WALK-THROUGH

All interested parties are encouraged to attend the non-mandatory, pre-bid walk-through that will begin on Friday, September 8, 2006, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Lenore K. Sullivan Drive under the Poplar Street Bridge (PSB) in St. Louis, MO for FAI 55/70, Section Dist 8 ITS 2006-2, Madison and St. Clair Counties, IL and the City of St. Louis, MO, **Contract 76973, ITEM 56**.

Each perspective bidder shall be allowed one (1) representative to attend the tour. Each person is required to provide their own hard hat, safety shoes, eye protection and OSHA Permit-Required Confined Spaces (29 CFR 1910.146) Training Certification prior to beginning the tour. No photographs will be allowed during the tour of restrictive property.

Members from the Department and MoDOT will be present to facilitate the tour, only. Inquiries regarding the contract plans and special provisions will be addressed per the bid invitation instructions.